

## Message Text

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ACTION SCSE-00

INFO OCT-01 ARA-10 ISO-00 SCA-01 CG-00 DOTE-00 FAA-00 EB-08  
PRS-01 H-02 COME-00 SSO-00 /023 W  
-----212306 124493 /70  
O 212250Z FEB 77  
FM AMEMBASSY PORT AU PRINCE  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC NIACT IMMEDIATE 4118

UNCLAS PORT AU PRINCE 0628

EO 11652 N/A  
TAGS: CDES  
SUBJECT: SHIPMENT OF REMAINS OF AIR CRASH VICTIMS

REF: (A) PORT AU PRINCE 622, (B) PORT AU PRINCE 623, (C) PORT AU  
PRINCE 624, (D) PORT AU PRINCE 625

1. EMBASSY MADE EVERY EFFORT TO HAVE REMAINS TRANSPORTED  
FROM CRASH SITE TO SAN JUAN WITHOUT OFF-LOADING PORT AU  
PRINCE. THIS WAS ALSO WISH GOH. EMBASSY AND GOH  
KNEW THIS IN BEST INTEREST OF NEXT OF KIN TO AVOID LENGTHY  
DELAYS NECESSARY TO PERFORM AUTOPSY, EMBALMING, ETC.  
REQUIRED BY HAITIAN LAW. OUR PLAN FOR DIRECT SHIPMENT TO  
SAN JUAN WHERE QUICK TRANSPORTATION TO US AVAILABLE APPROVED  
BY LOCAL REPS OF OIL COMPANY. COAST GUARD AGREEABLE AT FIRST,  
BUT FORCED TO OFF-LOAD BODIES PORT AU PRINCE WHEN AIRLINES  
OR PERHAPS OTHER PARTIES IN U.S. SO REQUESTED.

2. GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AT HIGHEST LEVELS ALREADY MAKING  
EVERY EFFORT TO SPEED UP SHIPMENT. EMBASSY AND CONSULAR  
OFFICERS HAVE VISITED WITH AND DISCUSSED MATTER WITH  
NUMEROUS HAITIAN OFFICIALS INCLUDING MINISTER OF  
HEALTH. ALL REPEAT ALL MOST COOPERATIVE. HOWEVER,  
CONCLUSION THIS PROCESS AND SHIPMENT OF REMAINS DEPENDENT  
UPON OBTAINING INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR ISSUANCE  
HAITIAN DEATH CERTIFICATE. COMPANY OFFICIALS HERE ARE IN  
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PROCESS OF OBTAINING THIS INFORMATION TO CONCLUDE  
MATTER ASAP.

3. WILL ADVISE PROGRESS.  
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## Message Attributes

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